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SUBJECT: PRIME MINISTER ANKER JORGENSEN VISITS GREENLAND FOR
FIRST TIME

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1. PRIME MINISTER ANKER JORGENSEN LEFT COPENHAGEN
AUGUST 1 FOR HIS FIRST VISIT TO GREENLAND. HIS
12-DAY PROGRAM (AUGUST 1-12) INCLUDES VISITS TO
INSTITUTIONS, SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, INDUSTRIAL WORKS
AND POSSIBLY ONE OF THE THREE OIL DRILLING SHIPS
CURRENTLY BEING OPERATED BY AMERICAN COMPANIES IN
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THE DAVIS STRAIT BETWEEN GREENLAND AND CANADA.
PRIOR TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTURE, THE
AMBASSADOR PROVIDED HIM WITH A BRIEFING PAPER ON
U.S. INTERESTS IN GREENLAND.

2. THE PRIME MINISTER WAS GREETED IN HOLSTEINBORG
(THE FIRST STOP IN HIS TRIP) BY A COUPLE OF HUNDRED

DEMONSTRATORS WHO PROTESTED THE DANISH GOVERNMENT'S
POSITION ON THE OWNERSHIP OF NATURAL RESOURCES IN
GREENLAND AND THE OFFSHORE OIL EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES
THIS SUMMMER. MANY GREENLANDERS FEAR A REPETITION OF THE
RECENT NORTH SEA OIL SPILL.

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3. COMMENT: A VISIT TO GREENLAND BY JORGENSEN,
WHO HAS BEEN DENMARK'S PRIME MINISTER TWICE FOR A
TOTAL PERIOD OF ALMOST FOUR YEARS, IS LONG OVERDUE.
THE INSIGHT HE WILL GAIN FROM FIRST-HAND CONTACT
WITH GREENLANDERS -- EXPRESSING THEIR DESIRES, GOALS
AND FRUSTRATIONS IN THEIR OWN WORDS -- SHOULD PROVE
INVALUABLE. THE CONTACTS HE MADE AS WELL AS THE
IMPRESSIONS HE GAINS SHOULD INCREASE HIS EFFECTIVE-
NESS DURING THE IMMINENT PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES ON
HOME RULE, RIGHTS TO NATURAL RESOURCES, AND OIL
DRILLINGS.

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